

REMARKS

At the outset, Applicant would like to thank the Examiner for the allowance of claims 33-36. Claims 33-36 are the only claims currently pending in this application. Claims 1-32 have been canceled.

Rejection Under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b)

Claims 1-3, 5-9, 11, 14, 17, 18, 21, 23-30 and 32 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by French Patent Number 2,366,147 ("Peugeot").

Claims 1-32 have been canceled, thereby rendering moot the above rejection.

Rejection Under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a)

Claims 4, 10, 12-13, 15-16, 19-20 and 30-31 are rejected as unpatentable under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) over Peugeot in view of a number of references.

Claims 1-32 have been canceled, thereby rendering moot the above rejection.

Conclusion

Applicant respectfully asserts that Claims 33-36 are currently in condition for allowance. No fees in addition to the extension of time are believed due with this response. However, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee required to our Deposit Account No. 50-2298, in the name of Luce, Forward, Hamilton & Scripps LLP. Should any issues remain unresolved, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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